



Attorney Docket 10164

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:)
A.W. Chester et al)
Serial No. 09/351,147) Examiner: Walter D. Griffin
Filed: July 12, 1999) Group Art Unit: 1764
For: CATALYTIC PRODUCTION OF LIGHT)
OLEFINS FROM NAPHTHA FEED)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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The attached Preliminary Amendment is being filed simultaneously with a 37 CFR 1.53(d) Continued Prosecution Application of Serial No. 09/351,147.

For the purpose of placing the above-identified patent application in condition for allowance, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following amended claim 1 for the existing claim 1 (including the amendments entered in the Response dated September 6, 2000):

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1 (Twice amended). A process for converting a C₄+ naphtha hydrocarbon feed to a product which includes light olefins and aromatics, comprising:
contacting said feed with a catalyst comprising zeolite ZSM-5, ZSM-11 or combinations thereof treated with a phosphorus-containing compound, and a substantially inert matrix material, wherein said catalyst contains less than 20 wt% of active matrix material, said contacting being effected under conditions to produce a product containing light olefins and aromatics.

CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL (Large Entity) Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing. (Only for Continuation or Divisional Applications Under 37 CFR 1.53(d))		Docket No. <u>10164</u> <input type="checkbox"/> DUPLICATE (Check box if applicable)
First Named Inventor	Examiner	Group/Art Unit
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This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation, or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/351,147 filed on July 12, 1999 and entitled:

CATALYTIC PRODUCTION OF LIGHT OLEFINS FROM NAPHTHA FEED

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. ☐ This application is being filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. ☐ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent is enclosed.
5. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
 - a. ☐ PTO-1449
 - b. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
6. ☒ The fee for this application is calculated as follows:

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CLAIMS AS FILED

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Total Claims	10	- 20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Indep. Claims	1	- 3 =	0	x \$80.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
BASIC FEE					\$710.00
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$710.00

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7. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No.

- ☐ fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☐ fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
- ☐ fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.18.

8. ☒ A check in the amount of \$710.00 is enclosed.

9. ☐ Also enclosed:

10. ☐ The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA UNLESS a new correspondence address is provided below:

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FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 USC 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the Applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or application in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a).

Dated: May 18, 2001


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I hereby certify that the attached correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 in an envelope addressed to:

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